

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

LOPEZ et al.

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For: Monoclonal Antibody Inhibitor of GM-CSF, IL-3, IL-5 and Other

Cytokines, and Uses Thereof

Examiner: MERTZ, P. M.

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Docket No.: A20-017DIV

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## SUPPLEMENTARY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to an examination on merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims by canceling claims 36-39, without prejudice or disclaimer, as indicated below.

32. (PREVIOUSLY ADDED) A method of inhibiting the IL-5, IL-3 or GM-CSF mediated leukaemic cell proliferation by contacting the leukaemic cells with monoclonal antibody or fragments thereof capable of inhibiting the binding of cytokines IL-3, GM-CSF and IL-5 to the common receptor β<sub>c</sub>, wherein the